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THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)
 OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, for and in)
 behalf of the People of the State of Illinois,)

Petitioner,)

vs.)

UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY, d/b/a)
 AMEREN UE,)

Respondent.)

No.

03-0630

(Parcels 8205021, 8205021PE-A, 8205021PE-B, 8205021TE AND 8205023TE

PETITION FOR APPROVAL TO TAKE PROPERTY

NOW COMES THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, Petitioner, by LISA MADIGAN, ATTORNEY GENERAL and STANLEY L. MORRIS, Special Assistant Attorney General, and for its Petition for Approval to Take Property states:

1. Petitioner proposes to construct and improve FAU Route 9105, a State highway under the control and jurisdiction of Petitioner, in Madison County, Illinois, under and by virtue of the Illinois Highway Code (605 ILCS 5/2-101 through 5/2-220 and 5/4-101 through 5/4-511). The lands and premises hereinafter described and legally described as set out in Exhibits "A", "B", "C", "D" and "E", attached hereto and incorporated by this reference, are required as a part of Petitioner's proposed improvement including the reconstruction and rehabilitation of the McKinley Bridge over the Mississippi River. The improvement is 1.42

miles in length from Ninth Street in St. Louis, Missouri, to Main Street in Venice, Madison County, Illinois (the "Project").

2. Respondent, UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY, d/b/a AMEREN UE, is a public utility as defined in the Illinois Public Utilities Act (220 ILCS 5/1-101 et seq.), is engaged in the sale of electricity within Illinois and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Illinois Commerce Commission.

3. The land, rights, and other property described in Exhibits "A", "B", "C", "D" and "E" are private property and the Respondent appears to own, have an interest in, or claims to have some interest therein.

4. Parcels 8205021, 8205021PE-A, 8205021PE-B and 8205021TE are located at McKinley Bridge, on the north side of FAU Route 9105 roadway at Pier 32. Parcel 8205023TE is located at McKinley Bridge, on the south side of FAU Route 9105 at Pier 31.

5. The Project is a public work, is for public use and constitutes a public purpose, namely the construction and improvement of FAU Route 9105 in Madison County, Illinois; it is in the public convenience and necessity that the Petitioner have and acquire fee simple title to Parcel 8205021, a permanent easement in Parcels 8205021PE-A and 8205021PE-B, and temporary easements in Parcels 8205021TE and 8205023TE, more particularly described in attached Exhibits "A", "B", "C", "D" and "E", respectively.

6. The compensation to be paid by the Petitioner to the Respondent for the described parcels or the interest therein or the form of conveyance cannot be agreed upon between the

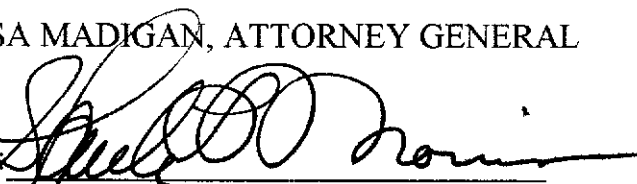
Petitioner and the Respondent and the Petitioner, therefore, is authorized, subject to the initial approval of the Illinois Commerce Commission, to proceed to acquire said land, rights or other property through the exercise of the right of eminent domain under the Eminent Domain Laws of Illinois.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays the Illinois Commerce Commission enter an Order authorizing Petitioner to proceed with an action in eminent domain to acquire from Respondent, UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY, d/b/a AMEREN UE, fee simple title to Parcel 8205021, permanent easements in Parcels 8205021PE-A and 8205021PE-B, and temporary easements, which shall be effective from the date of vesting of title until the earlier of three years or completion of construction, in Parcels 8205021TE and 8205023TE, more particularly described in Exhibits "A", "B", "C", "D" and "E", respectively, all in accordance with Article VII (735 ILCS 5/7-101 through 5/7-129) of the Illinois Code of Civil Procedure.

THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,
STATE OF ILLINOIS, Petitioner

LISA MADIGAN, ATTORNEY GENERAL

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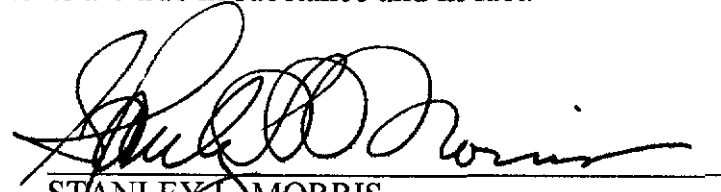


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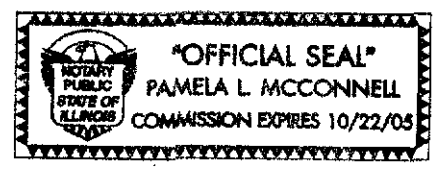
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF SANGAMON)

I, STANLEY L. MORRIS, of lawful age and being first duly sworn, depose and say that I am a Special Assistant Attorney General for the State of Illinois, that I have read the above and foregoing Petition by me subscribed, have knowledge of the contents thereof and that on information and belief said contents are true in substance and in fact.


STANLEY L. MORRIS
Special Assistant Attorney General

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 16th day of October, 2003.


Notary Public



PROOF OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that on Oct. 16, 2003, a copy of the foregoing document was deposited in the U.S. Mail, with postage prepaid, at Springfield, Illinois, plainly addressed to:

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